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**SAN ANGELO, TEXAS, MAN SENTENCED TO MORE THAN 10 YEARS IN
FEDERAL PRISON ON CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CONVICTION**

LUBBOCK, Tx. — San Angelo, Texas, resident, James C. Stanford, 38, was sentenced today to 121 months in prison, to be followed by 25 years supervised release, announced U.S. Attorney Richard B. Roper of the Northern District of Texas. Stanford pled guilty in January to one count of interstate receipt of child pornography. At the conclusion of today's sentencing hearing, U.S. District Judge Sam R. Cummings remanded Stanford to the custody of the U.S. Marshals service.

In a six-count superseding indictment returned in October 2006, Stanford was charged with two counts of receipt of child pornography, two counts of receipt of child obscenity, one count of possession of child pornography, and one count of possession of child obscenity. In pleading guilty to one count of interstate receipt of child pornography, Stanford admitted that during 2006, he subscribed to a Web site that made images of child pornography available to its subscribers. The images depicted children under the age of 18 years engaging in sexually explicit conduct and many of the children depicted in the images and videos were prepubescent.

This case is being brought as part of Project Safe Childhood. In February 2006, Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales launched Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the U.S. Attorneys Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov/

U.S. Attorney Roper commended the investigative efforts of the Department of Homeland Security's Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Steven M. Sucsy, of the Lubbock, Texas, U.S. Attorney's Office.

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